



STATE OF CALIFORNIA—HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES



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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-09-11

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS
ALL CHILD WELFARE SERVICE PROGRAM MANAGERS
TITLE IV-E AGREEMENT TRIBES

SUBJECT: NEW CDSS WEBSITE FOR CHILD FATALITY AND NEAR
FATALITY DISCLOSURE AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND
INFORMATION

REFERENCES: CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT ACT (CAPTA),
SENATE BILL 39 (CHAPTER 468, STATUTES OF 2007)

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is pleased to announce that online access is now available for information regarding California's child fatality and near fatality reporting requirements (limited to those fatalities/near fatalities resulting from abuse and/or neglect). In addition, a link to the Statement of Findings and Information (SOC 826) is included for easy access to the form.

The goals of providing this online information are as follows: 1) to serve as a valuable resource to educate the public regarding California's reporting requirements and disclosure laws as they relate to child fatalities and near fatalities resulting from abuse and/or neglect, and 2) improve transparency of this highly sensitive program area.

The site contains useful information regarding data, other resources, reporting and disclosure requirements pursuant to Senate Bill 39 (Chapter 468, Statutes of 2007) and the federal Child Abuse and Prevention Treatment Act. The link to access this new website and the SOC 826 form is: <http://www.childsworld.ca.gov/PG2370.htm>.

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- ☐ State Law Change
- ☐ Federal Law or Regulation Change
- ☐ Court Order
- ☐ Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- ☒ Initiated by CDSS

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This is our first step in utilizing technology to provide data and resources to the counties and the public regarding child fatality and near fatality information. The CDSS will continue to update the website, as needed.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the Children's Services Operations Bureau at (916) 651-8100.

Sincerely,

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